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Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. 1958

DEATH.

At Yokohama, on May 26th, AUGUSTIN MOONKEA, a seaman, who fell overboard from the *Colindale*.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1896.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS' MESSAGE.

THE SOUDAN EXPEDITION.

LONDON, June 7th.

In an engagement near Akasheh the Dervishes were totally dispersed with heavy loss; the Egyptian loss was slight.

It is reported that King Menelik has offered to assist the Khalifa against the Egyptians.

CAPTAIN LOHAIRE.

Captain Lohaire on his arrival at Brussels, from Africa, received an ovation.

(Special to *Stam Observer*.)

SIR NICHOLAS O'CONNOR AND THE TSAR.

LONDON, May 28th.

The Tsar has received the special Embassies at Moscow and was notably gracious to Sir N. O'Connor, the British Ambassador.

THE CYCLONE IN AMERICA.

LONDON, May 28th.

A cyclone at St. Louis, on the Missouri, has killed 1,300 people. Thousands are homeless, and the damage done is estimated at \$5,000,000.

FRENCH FINANCE.

LONDON, May 29th.

The French Finance Minister proposes to levy a tax of 4 per cent. on French Rentes, excepting where the holders thereof are resident abroad.

The same tax will be imposed on the dividends of companies, whether French or foreign.

THE TYPHOON.

The typhoon reported to be within 300 miles and to the south of the colony yesterday appears to have passed to the north, the pressure continuing considerably below the normal in the northern part of the China Sea.

The weather report issued by the Observatory officials at 11 o'clock this morning contains the following remarks about the depression.—On the 6th at 6 a.m. the Black (South) Cone was lowered. At 11.15 a.m. there were no longer any indications of a cyclonic depression to the southward of Hongkong. The barometer has fallen on the S.E. coast of China, but is almost steady in Hongkong. Pressure continues considerably below the normal along the S. and S.E. coasts and, apparently, in the N.W. part of the China Sea. Forecast.—Moderate N.W. winds; unsettled weather and thunderstorms probable.

The Commander of the steamer *Honan*, which arrived here from Chinkiang this morning, reports that she encountered "tremendous southeast" well during the latter part of the voyage.

At 4 p.m. the barometer had fallen to 29.65 from 29.60 at 10 a.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

At 5.30 p.m. the *Natal*, from Shanghai, arrived, having been delayed by fog.

THE forty-seventh birthday of the Empress of Japan was celebrated at the Court of H.M. the Mikado on the 28th ulto.

A NUMBER of ice-cream vendors were fined \$1 each this morning at the Police Court for hawking their mixture without licenses.

THERE were three cases of plague to-day—two in the city and one in Kowloon. The four foreign cases at present under treatment are on the high road to complete recovery.

THE Chinese Telegraph Administration at Foonchow notified this afternoon that telegraphic communication with Formosa has been interrupted since yesterday morning.

AN official notice has been issued that the order prohibiting foreigners and foreign men-of-war from visiting the Siberian port of Komsosoff has been withdrawn.—O.K. Many thanks!

How lucky the residents of Shanghai are in many ways. We note that the Japan Mail Company is running cheap excursions, with its regular boats, to Nagasaki and return, at \$20 Mexican the round trip, which occupies five days. This must be delightful during the hot season.

RUMOURS of another meditated rebellion are rife in Korea. It is reported that about 10,000 discontented patriots have assembled in Tsen-ang and over 13,000 in Mok-chon. Their alleged grievance is not a purely commercial one, being indignation at the damage suffered by the alleged prestige of Korea as a nation by the protracted stay of the King in the Russian Legation.

A RICKSHAW coolie, one of three in the employ of Mr. Spriggs, Morrison Hill, who refused duty by leaving his employ without notice, was this morning fined \$10, with the option of a month's "hard," by Captain Hastings. The coolie said that he was threatened with being cut \$1 by his master for being late one day, and he and his companions would not stay. He was trying to get substitutes when arrested!

A VISIT was paid to the plague hospital at Le-chuek yesterday by a Police official, and thirty plague patients were found there. The burial ground, situated about midway between the hospital and the Customs' bungalow, is considered a danger to the stream from which the water boats have been getting their supply, and the Police have received instructions to prevent them using that place in future; facilities for procuring pure water being arranged at Yau-mau.

THAT the Russians are doing their utmost to keep their gates clear from the information received by the *Tokio Nippon* from its Vladivostok correspondent, who reports that the Russian military officials and police are exercising every caution with regard to Japanese in Vladivostok; some are questioned strictly, while the houses of others have been entered without warrant, or notices being given, and subjected to a thorough search.

YESTERDAY afternoon, while two well-dressed and respectable-looking Chinese youths were looking at the Queen's Statue, the Sikh constable on duty there ordered them from the steps surrounding the canopy, and because they did not move fast enough struck one of them violently on the chest. Several Europeans witnessed the assault, and by the advice of one of these the matter was reported to the Captain Superintendent of Police, who this morning promised the complainant that if the evidence of the foreigners named as witnesses the assault bore out their tale he would punish the constable severely.

RESPECTING the suspension of Mr. Raymond, a gentleman jockey, at Singapore, the *Phaeng Gazette* explains as follows:—Mr. Raymond's suspension for one year, from riding in training or trials, or races, or running a horse or horses, dates from May 1st, 1895. The disqualification of the horse *Lucky* is not confirmed.—The Straits paper does not state what all the trouble is about; why Mr. Raymond has been suspended, or who took the initiative in the proceedings that led to his suspension? In justice to Mr. Raymond it may be fairly contended that these questions should be answered promptly and as completely as possible.

At the Police Court this morning a well-dressed Chinese was charged by a shopkeeper with obtaining \$5 by means of false pretences. The complainant's story, which was born out by two witnesses, was that the prisoner came to him and promised that if given \$5 he would prevent his cook-house, which had been condemned by the Sanitary authorities, from being pulled down. After some discussion the money was paid, but in a couple of days the Inspector of the district came and had the place pulled down. Hence the complaint. The prisoner, who was represented by Mr. Lockyer, claimed that the whole case was a conspiracy on the part of the shopkeeper. His Worship imposed sentence of four months' hard labour.

In a carefully thought-out article published in the *Kokumin Shinbun* it is stated that although Germany was one of the three Powers which interfered on behalf of China to secure the retrocession of the Liaotung peninsula, there are various circumstances which render her antagonistic to Russia, and disposed to move in concert with England, with which latter nation Japan should co-operate, both for the purpose of securing the peace of the East and maintaining the dignity and prestige of Japan. As the first step towards getting on friendly terms with Germany, the *Kokumin* suggests that Viscount Aoki, the present Minister to Berlin, who is well spoken of by the entire German press, should be made Minister of Foreign Affairs; for, although he is not our ideal Minister, he possesses the proper qualifications in a far greater degree than others who have held that office.

THERE has, says the *Calcutta Statesman* of the 19th May, been an appreciable decrease of cholera during the past two or three days. In the southern division there were five cases, and one only in the southern suburbs. Bow Bazarra division recorded two attacks, and there was one in the northern division, and one on the river.

THE little King of Spain, according to a floating paragraph, had for his lesson the other day the mottoes of the different European countries. He got as far as England, and promptly recited, "Dieu et mon Droit," and then abruptly asked, "What is the motto of America?" Count Z., who happened to be in the room at the time, answered, "Dieu et mon roi."—*Exchange*.

It is quite on the cards that in the near future several European experts will be appointed to accompany a high Japanese official to Europe for the purpose of advising him in respect to the purchase of machinery required for the Government's Steel Foundry. The *Yokohama Herald* thinks the experts will be retained in the Japanese service, to superintend the erection and working of the new machinery.

THE following telegraphic despatch to the *Calcutta Statesman* is interesting as showing that the Government of India has taken the exchange compensation question in hand in a thoroughly practical manner:—

SMILA, May 19th.

With regard to the exchange compensation allowance question, it has been decided that those officers whose salaries are regulated by statute will not only be debared from receiving the allowance in future, but will be called upon to refund the monies already received.

It seems to the *Choofo Express* that the policy of European states should be clear on Korean matters. Terms should be made with Russia, and every opportunity given her of opening up Siberia and Korea. The *Choofo Thunderer* considers it monstrous to expect Russia, with half a continent on her hands, to put up with no other outlet to the sea than an ice-bound port like Vladivostok, and it concludes by solving the difficulty by expressing the opinion that "so far from regarding the Russian advance in Korea with jealousy, the European Powers ought to make the attainment by Russia of that end one of the objects of their own policy."

An American paper is responsible for the following:—What is a judge to do with an advocate who, in pleading the cause of his client, makes "the Masonic sign of distress," Judge Davis, of the Superior Court of Anderson, Indiana, has solved the problem by committing

for contempt of court a bailiff who made the Masonic sign easily recognizable by the Judge himself and by certain Masons on the jury. At the advocate in this particular instance was "wearing a Masonic pin," there may have been some ground for the Judge's summary action. Contempt of court is, however, already a very elastic offence, and if any one may be sent to prison who accidentally makes signs of Masonic import, counsel and clients alike are liable to face with a new danger.

SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD'S audience of the Emperor of China is commended in a sensible manner by General Messey, the Editor of that interesting weekly which under the title of *Messey's Miscellany* is slowly, yet surely, taking its proper place among works of reference bearing on China and things Chinese. In his issue of the 21st May General Messey says:—

BRITISH MINISTER MACDONALD GRANTED AUDIENCE AT PEKING.

It is announced in the *Sun-wo-pao* of the 17th May, 1896, that a letter has been received from its Peking correspondent, saying that the newly appointed British Minister Sir Claude Maxwell MacDonald, has been granted audience of the Emperor in the famous throne hall called the Wen-hua Tien. It was in this same throne-room also that the late Belgian Minister, Loumeau, was also granted audience, and both these instances show a decided advance in the path of diplomatic etiquette and Imperial rectitude of conduct towards friendly foreign states. The British Minister previously had several interviews with the Highnesses and Excellencies the Prince and Ministers of the Tseung-tsi Yamen, and everything had been previously arranged for the appointed day on which the audience took place, so that there is now no complaint heard as to the lack of courtesy towards foreign Ministers by receiving them in out-of-the-way places, as if it had been sacrilege to receive them in the ordinary apartments of the palace. It was formerly asserted by the anti-foreign clique at Peking that the dirty streets were good enough to receive foreign Ministers in, and it was gravely expected that they would do like the tributary envoys of vassal states, that is, await the passage of the Imperial cortege through the streets and there perform the degrading ceremony of kneeling to the Emperor as he rode past in his chair. The allied Ministers of France and England very unwisely submitted to very unsatisfactory terms from the very first instead of insisting upon the usual courtesy being extended to them in China, as is the case in other countries. It is a pity that the allied troops did not remain in Peking for at least one year after the war of 1860. It would have done China and the Chinese a world of good, and could not have done us any harm.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY, 9th June.

7 p.m.—Concert at St. Patrick's Club, above Tram Station.

TO-MORROW, 10th June.

11 a.m.—Outward French Mail closes.

Noon.—*Natal* leaves for Europe.

Noon.—Embassy of China leaves for Vancouver, via usual ports of call.

FRIDAY, 12th June.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of ladies' drapery goods, &c., at the Hongkong Trading Co.'s premises, by Mr. G. P. Lamont.

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3 p.m.—Rifle Brigade Battalion Regatta, at Bay View.

5.30 p.m.—By kind permission of Major Rattall and Officers, the Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play in the Public Gardens.

THE railway between Keelung and Taipei, which was in a bad state of repair before the war, is being rapidly put in good order. Two or three tunnels have been reconstructed, and before the end of the year it should be in good working order.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherbow Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Hu Choo \$20

Shakamon Cone Mining Co. \$10

We have to acknowledge the receipt of copies of "The Returns of Trade and Trade Reports for 1895" and the "Customs Gazette" for the quarter ending 31st March 1896. These volumes, which reflect infinite credit on the department responsible for their issue in due and proper form, contain matter of great interest to the diplomatist as well as to merchants, and compared with other tomes of this class may be said to eclipse most Customs' publications and be equaled by very few, either in general get-up, accuracy of detail, or the care bestowed on the printing, proof reading, and binding.

THE death at New York, on the 11th ultimo, of Henry Cuyler Bunner, the editor of *Puck*, from tubercular consumption, is announced in the *Fraser Chronicle*, which remarks very truly that there were few contributors to periodical literature who enjoyed the reputation held by Mr. Bunner, for so many years the versatile editor of *Puck*. In qualities of humour, in delicacy of touch, there were none who excelled him, and the short stories such as Mr. Bunner called "Short Sticks" constitute in fiction a pleasant monopoly. This really great romance was a man of striking personality aside from his abilities as a writer, and it was undoubtedly due to his natural talent as an editor that he made *Puck* what it is to-day.

THE following notification, signed by Dr. Wright, Head Master of Queen's College, appears in Saturday's *Gazette*.—While a view is affording increased facilities for the acquisition of the English language, His Excellency the Governor has approved the recommendation of the Governing Body, that the section of Queen's College known as the Chinese School should be abolished from the 31st May. Notice is therefore hereby given that, with His Excellency's approval, on and after 1st June next, no Chinese boy shall be admitted to Queen's College who shall have failed to pass, to the satisfaction of the Head Master, an easy Entrance Examination in the Chinese language. Applicants must bring with them Chinese paper, pen, and ink.

THE cultivation of coffee is increasing by leaps and bounds in British Central Africa. The single plant which was taken out to Nyasaland a few years ago by a Scottish gardener is now the parent of many millions of trees, and it is estimated that this year no fewer than three hundred and twenty tons of coffee will be available for export. This estimate is contained in a report addressed to Sir H. H. Johnston by Mr. M. Master, the sub-Commissioner in charge of the Blantyre district. Great difficulties, however, stand in the way of the planters, foremost amongst them being the decrease in the available supply of local labour and the consequent rise in wages. The planter now has to pay no less than five shillings a month—or its equivalent—to his native "boy," as against the two shillings a month which about a year ago was the local rate of wages in coffee plantations in Central Africa. Land, too, in the township of Blantyre has doubled or trebled in value during the past twelve months, and other economic changes are taking place which, so far as the immediate future is concerned, do not augur well for the planter.

PRESENTATION TO DR. MARQUES.

The members of the Police Force presented an address and a souvenir to Dr. Marques to-day. The address, as read by Inspector Quincey, is as follows:—

Hongkong, 8th June, 1896.

To Dr. L. PEREIRA MARQUES, Fellow of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland, Member of the Royal College of Physicians, &c., &c., &c.

SIR,—I have come to our knowledge that you have retired from the Public Service on a well-earned pension, we, the undersigned, on behalf of the Members of the Hongkong Police Force and ourselves individually, desire to convey to you our best and sincerest thanks for the untiring labours, promptitude, and skillfulness with which you have attended us wherever we had occasion to seek your professional assistance; and we avail ourselves of this opportunity to ask your acceptance of the small souvenir which accompanies this letter, as a token of the high esteem in which you are held by us for your sterling qualities, both as a professional man and as a private individual.

In conclusion, we wish you long life, good health, and every success in your practice, and we heartily express the hope that we may still have you amongst us for many years to come.

We have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servants and sincere friends,

[Here follow the signatures of the members of the Force.]

The souvenir, which is a handsome, massive, embossed silver bowl of Chinese workmanship, set on an elegant blackwood carved stand, bears the following inscription:—

TO DR. L. P. MARQUES, FELLOW OF THE ROYAL ACADEMY OF MEDICINE IN IRELAND, MEMBER OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, FELLOW OF THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, MEMBER OF THE FRANCO-PORTUGUESE ACADEMY OF TOULOUSE, &c., &c., &c.

THE MEMBERS OF THE HONGKONG POLICE FORCE, MAGISTRACY AND SUPREME COURT STAFF, AS A TOKEN OF ESTEEM, ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE, ON PENSION.

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CHINA TRADE REPORTS.

We received to-day a copy of the "Returns of Trade and Trade Reports for the year 1895" published by order of Sir Robert Hart, the Inspector-General of Customs. The reports of the Commissioners of Customs are invariably interesting and instructive and those included in the volume before us are no wise an exception to the rule, for they contain facts, dates, and comments of great value relating to the military operations in China during 1895 and the effects thereof on the trade of the ports in the north, and Formosa in the south. From these reports we have space to-day for a few extracts only, which has been issued in a manner that reflects the greatest credit on the officials, of all grades, employed in the Statistical Department of the splendid service that owes its present high standard of efficiency and the confidence reposed in it by the foreign powers and the government of China to the genius and the strict integrity of that master of finance and king of organisers, the great "I.G.," the one man holding high office in Far Cathay who has proved himself the truest and best friend China ever had—a friend in need, and therefore a friend indeed.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1896.

DEATH.

At Yokohama, on May 26th, AUGUSTINE MOUNSEL, a seaman, who fell overboard from the *Caledonian*.

CAPTAIN LOETHAIRE, Captain Loethaire on his arrival at Brussels, from Africa, received an ovation.

(Special to *Stam Observer*.) SIR NICHOLAS O'CONNOR AND THE TSAR.

LONDON, May 28th. The Tsar has received the special Embassies at Moscow and was notably gracious to Sir N. O'Connor, the British Ambassador.

THE CYCLONE IN AMERICA.

LONDON, May 28th. A cyclone at St. Louis, on the Missouri, has killed 1,300 people. Thousands are homeless, and the damage done is estimated at \$5,000,000.

FRENCH FINANCE.

LONDON, May 28th. The French Finance Minister proposes to levy a tax of 4 per cent. on French Revenues, excepting where the holders thereof are resident abroad. The same tax will be imposed on the dividends of companies, whether French or foreign.

THE TYPHOON.

The typhoon reported to be within 300 miles and to the south of the colony yesterday appears to have passed to the north, the pressure continuing considerably below the normal in the northern part of the China Sea.

The weather report issued by the Observatory officials at 11 o'clock this morning contains the following remarks about the depression:—On the 6th at 6 a.m. the Black (South) Cone was lowered. At 11.15 a.m. there were no longer any indications a cyclone depression to the southward of Hongkong. The barometer has fallen on the S.E. coast of China, but is almost steady in Hongkong. Pressure continues considerably below the normal along the S. and S.E. coasts and, apparently, in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Moderate S.W. winds; unsettled weather and thunderstorms probable.

The Commander of the steamer *Honan*, which arrived here from Chinkiang this morning, reports that she encountered "tremendous south-east" well during the latter part of the voyage.

At 4 p.m. the barometer had fallen to 29.65 from 29.69 at 10 a.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

At 5.30 p.m. the *Natal* from Shanghai, arrived, having been delayed by fog.

The forty-seventh birthday of the Empress of Japan was celebrated at the Court of H.M. the Mikado on the 28th ulto.

A NUMBER of ice-cream vendors were fined \$1 each this morning at the Police Court for hawking their mixture without licenses.

THERE were three cases of plague to-day—two in the city and one in Kowloon. The four foreign cases at present under treatment are on the high road to complete recovery.

The Chinese Telegraph Administration at Foochow notified this afternoon that telegraphic communication with Formosa has been interrupted since yesterday morning.

An official notice has been issued that the order prohibiting foreigners and foreign men-of-war from visiting the Siberian port of Komsomoff has been withdrawn.—O.K. Many thanks!

How lucky the residents of Shanghai are in many ways. We note that the Japan Mail Company is running cheap excursions, with its regular boats, to Nagasaki and return, at \$20 Mexican the round trip, which occupies five days. This must be delightful during the hot season.

RUMOURS of another meditated rebellion are rife in Korea. It is reported that about 10,000 discontented patriots have assembled in Tan-an and over 13,000 in Mok-chon. Their alleged grievance is not a purely commercial one, being indignation at the damage suffered by the alleged prestige of Korea as a nation by the protracted stay of the King in the Russian Legation.

A RICKSHAW coolie, one of three in the employ of Mr. Spriggs, Morrison Hill, who refused duty by leaving his employ without notice, was this morning fined \$10, with the option of a month's "hard," by Captain Hastings. The coolie said that he was threatened with being cut \$1 by his master for being late one day, and he and his companions would not stay. He was trying to get substitutes when arrested.

A VISIT was paid to the plague hospital at Lai-chekok yesterday by a Police official, and thirty plague patients were found there. The burial ground, situated about midway between the hospital and the Customs' building, is considered a danger to the stream from which the water boats have been getting their supply, and the Police have received instructions to prevent them using that place in future, facilities for procuring pure water being arranged at Yau-mai.

THAT the Russians are doing their utmost to keep the secret emissaries of a possible enemy without their gates is clear from the information received by the *Tokio Nichinichi* from its Vladivostok correspondent, who reports that the Russian military officials and police are exercising every caution with regard to Japanese in Vladivostok; some are questioned strictly, while the houses of others have been entered without warrant, or notice being given, and subjected to a thorough search.

YESTERDAY afternoon, while two well-dressed and respectable-looking Chinese youths were looking at the Queen's Statue, the Sikh constable on duty there ordered them from the steps surrounding the canopy, and I scarce they did not move fast enough to escape them violently on the chest. Several Europeans witnessed the assault, and by the advice of one of these the matter was reported to the Captain Superintendent of Police, who this morning promised the complainant that if the evidence of the foreigners named as witnesses the assault bore out their tale he would punish the constable severely.

RESPECTING the suspension of Mr. Raymond, a gentleman jockey, at Singapore, the *Ping Pong* explains as follows:—Mr. Raymond's suspension for one year, from riding in training or trials, or races, or running a horse or horses, dates from May 1st, 1896. The disqualification of the horse *Lochy* is not confirmed.—The Straits paper does not state what all the trouble is about; why Mr. Raymond has been suspended, or who took the initiative in the proceedings that led to his suspension? In justice to Mr. Raymond it may be fairly contended that these questions should be answered promptly and as completely as possible.

At the Police Court this morning a well-dressed Chinese was charged by a shopkeeper with obtaining \$2 by means of false pretences. The complainant's story, which was born out by two witnesses, was that the prisoner came to him and promised that if given \$2 he would prevent his cook-house, which had been condemned by the Sanitary authorities, from being pulled down. After some discussion the money was paid, but to a couple of days the Inspector of the district came and had the place pulled down. Hence the complaint. The prisoner, who was represented by Mr. Looker, claimed that the whole case was a conspiracy on the part of the shopkeeper. His Worship imposed sentence of four months' hard labour.

In a carefully thought-out article published in the *Kokumin Shinbun* it is stated that although Germany was one of the three Powers which interfered on behalf of China to secure the restoration of the Liaoting peninsula, there are various circumstances which render her antagonistic to Russia, and disposed to move in concert with England, with which latter nation Japan should co-operate, both for the purpose of securing the peace of the East and maintaining the dignity and prestige of Japan. As the first step towards getting on friendly terms with Germany, the *Kokumin* suggests that Viscount Aoki, the present Minister to Berlin, who is well spoken of by the entire German press, should be made Minister of Foreign Affairs; for, although he is not our ideal Minister, he possesses the proper qualifications in a far greater degree than others who have held the office.

THERE has, says the *Calcutta Statesman* of the 10th May, been an appreciable decrease of cholera during the past two or three days. In the southern division there were five cases, and one only in the northern suburbs. Bow Bazar division recorded two attacks, and there was one in the northern division, and one on the river.

The Little King of Spain, according to a floating paragraph, had for his lesson the other day the mottoes of the different European countries. He got as far as England, and promptly replied, "Dieu et mon Droit," and then abruptly asked, "What is the motto of America?" Count Z., who happened to be in the room at the time, answered, "Dieu et mon roc."—*Exchange*.

It is quite on the cards that in the near future several European experts will be appointed to accompany a high Japanese official to Europe for the purpose of advising him in respect to the purchase of machinery required for the Government's Steel Foundry. The *Yokohama Herald* thinks the experts will be retained in the Japanese service, to superintend the erection and working of the new machinery.

The following telegraphic despatch to the *Calcutta Statesman* is interesting as showing that the Government of India has taken the exchange compensation question in hand in a thoroughly practical manner:—

SIMLA, May 19th. With regard to the exchange compensation allowance question, it has been decided that those officers whose salaries are regulated by statute will not only be debared from receiving the allowance in future, but will be called upon to refund the monies already received.

It seems to the *Chefoo Express* that the policy of European states should be clear on Korean matters. Terms should be made with Russia, and every opportunity given her of opening up Siberia and Korea. The *Chefoo Thunderer* considers it monstrous to expect Russia, with half a continent on her hands, to put up with no other outlet to the sea than an ice-bound port like Vladivostok, and it concludes by solving the difficulty by expressing the opinion that "so far from regarding the Russian advance in Korea with jealousy, the European Powers ought to make the attainment by Russia of that end one of the objects of their own policy."

AN American paper is responsible for the following:—What is a judge; to do with an advocate who, in pleading the cause of his client, makes "the Masonic sign of distress?" Judge Davis, of the Superior Court of Anderson, Indiana, has solved the problem by committing for contempt of court a barrister who made the Masonic sign easily recognizable by the Judge himself and by certain Masons on the jury. As the advocate in this particular instance was "wearing a Masonic pin," there may have been some ground for the judge's summary action. Contempt of court is, however, already a very elastic offence, and if any one may be sent to prison who accidentally makes signs of Masonic import, counsel and clients alike are face to face with a new danger.

SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD's audience of the Emperor of China is commented on in a sensible manner by General Messy, the Editor of that interesting weekly which under the title of *Many's Miscellany* is slowly, yet surely, taking its proper place among works of reference bearing on China and things Chinese. In his issue of the 21st May General Messy says:—

BRITISH MINISTER MACDONALD GRANTED AUDIENCE AT PEKING.

It is announced in the *Sin-wan-pao* of the 17th May, 1896, that a letter has been received from its Peking correspondent saying that Sir Claude Macdonald has been granted audience of the Emperor in the famous throne hall called the Wen-tsu Tien. It was in this same throne-room also that the late Belgian Minister, Loumeur, was also granted audience, and both these instances show a decided advance in the path of diplomatic etiquette and imperial rectitude of conduct towards friendly foreign states. The British Minister previously had several interviews with the Highnesses and Excellencies the Princes and Ministers of the Tung-shi Yamen, and everything had been previously arranged for the appointed day on which the audience took place, so that there is now no complaint heard as to the lack of courtesy towards foreign Ministers by receiving them in out-of-the-way places, as if it had been sacrilege to receive them in the ordinary apartments of the palace. It was formerly asserted by the anti-foreign clique at Peking that the dirty streets were good enough to receive foreign Ministers in, and it was generally expected that they would do like the tributary envoys of vassal states, that is, wait the passage of the Imperial cortege through the streets and there perform the degrading ceremony of kowtowing to the Emperor as he rode past in his chair. The allied Ministers of France and England very wisely submitted to very unsatisfactory terms from the very first instead of insisting upon the usual courtesy being extended to them in China, as it is the case in other countries. It is a pity that the allied troops did not remain in garrison at Peking for at least one year after the war of 1860. It would have done China and the Chinese a world of good, and could not have done us any harm.

MEMORANDA.

TO-DAY, 9th June.

7 p.m.—Concert at St. Patrick's Club, above Tram Station.

TO-MORROW, 10th June.

11 a.m.—Outward French Mail closes.

Noon.—*Natal* leaves for Europe.

Noon.—*Empress of China* leaves for Vancouver, via usual ports of call.

FRIDAY, 12th June.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of ladies' drapery goods, &c., at the Hongkong Trading Co.'s premises, by Mr. G. P. Lamont.

SATURDAY, 13th June.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of ladies' drapery goods, &c., at the Hongkong Trading Co.'s premises, by Mr. G. P. Lamont.

3 p.m.—Rifle Brigade Battalion Regatta, at Bay View.

5.30 p.m.—By kind permission of Major Retzliff and Officers, the Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play in the Public Gardens.

The railway between Keelung and Taipei, which was in a bad state of repair before the war, is being rapidly put in good order. Two or three tunnels have been reconstructed, and before the end of the year it should be in good working order.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethermole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

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We have to acknowledge the receipt of copies of "The Returns of Trade and Trade Reports for 1895" and the "Customs Gazette" for the quarter ending 31st March 1896. These volumes, which reflect infinite credit on the department responsible for their issue in due and proper form, contain matter of great interest to the diplomatist as well as to merchant, and compared with other tomes of this class may be said to eclipse most Customs' publications and be equalled by very few, either in general get-up, accuracy of detail, or the care bestowed on the printing, proof reading, and binding.

THE death at New York, on the 11th ultimo, of Henry Cuyler Bunner, the editor of *Puck*, from tubercular consumption, is announced in the *Frisco Chronicle*, which remarks very truly that there were few contributors to periodical literature who enjoyed the reputation held by Mr. Bunner, for so many years the versatile editor of *Puck*. In quaintness of humour, in delicacy of touch, there were none who excelled him, and the short stories such as Mr. Bunner called "Short Sticks" constitute in fiction a pleasant monopoly. This really great romance was a man of striking personality aside from his abilities as a writer, and it was undoubtedly due to his natural talent as an editor that he made *Puck* what it is to-day.

THE following notification, signed by Dr. Wright, Head Master of Queen's College, appears in Saturday's *Gazette*:—With a view to affording increased facilities for the acquisition of the English language, His Excellency the Governor has approved the recommendation of the Governing Body, that the section of Queen's College known as the Chinese School should be abolished from the 31st May. Notice is therefore hereby given that, with His Excellency's approval, on and after 1st June next, no Chinese boy shall be admitted to Queen's College who shall have failed to pass, to the satisfaction of the Head Master, an easy Entrance Examination in the Chinese language. Applicants must bring with them Chinese paper, pen, and ink.

THE cultivation of coffee is increasing by leaps and bounds in British Central Africa. The single plant which was taken out to Nyassaland a few years ago by a Scottish gardener is now the parent of many millions of trees, and it is estimated that this year no fewer than three hundred and twenty tons of coffee will be available for export. This estimate is contained in a report addressed to Sir H. H. Johnston by Mr. M. Master, the sub-Commissioner in charge of the Blantyre district. Great difficulties, however, stand in the way of the planters, foremost amongst them being the decrease in the available supply of local labour and the consequent rise in wages. The planter now has to pay no less than five shillings a month—or its equivalent—to his native "boy," as against the two shillings a month which about a year ago was the local rate of wages in coffee plantations in Central Africa. Land, too, in the township of Blantyre has doubled or trebled in value during the past twelve months, and other economic changes are taking place which, so far as the immediate future is concerned, do not augur well for the planters.

PRESENTATION TO DR. MARQUES.

The members of the Police Force presented an address and a souvenir to Dr. Marques to-day. The address, as read by Inspector Quincey, is as follows:—

Hongkong, 8th June, 1896.
To Dr. L. PEREIRA MARQUES, Fellow of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland, Member of the Royal College of Physicians &c., &c., &c.

SIR,—It having come to our knowledge that you have retired from the Public Service on a well-earned pension, we, the undersigned, on behalf of the Members of the Hongkong Police Force and ourselves individually, desire to convey to you our best and sincerest thanks for the untiring kindness, promptitude, and skillfulness with which you have attended us whenever we had occasion to seek your professional assistance; and we avail ourselves of this opportunity to ask your acceptance of the small souvenir which accompanies this letter, as a token of the high esteem in which you are held by us for your sterling qualities, both as a professional man and as a private individual.

In conclusion, we wish you long life, good health, and every success in your practice, and we heartily express the hope that we may still have you amongst us for many years to come.

We have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servants and sincere friends,

(Here follow the signatures of the members of the Force.)

The souvenir, which is a handsome, massive, embossed silver bowl of Chinese workmanship, set on an elegant blackwood carved stand, bears the following inscription:—

To
DR. L. P. MARQUES,
FELLOW OF THE ROYAL ACADEMY OF MEDICINE IN IRELAND, MEMBER OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, FELLOW OF THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, MEMBER OF THE FRANCO-ESPANO-PORTUGUESE ACADEMY OF TOULOUSE, &c., &c., &c.

FROM
THE MEMBERS OF THE HONGKONG POLICE FORCE, MAGISTRACY AND SUPREME COURT STAFF, AS A TOKEN OF ESTEEM, ON RETIREMENT FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE ON PENSION.

Hongkong, 7th June, 1896.

CHINA TRADE REPORTS.

We received to-day a copy of the "Returns of Trade and Trade Reports for the year 1895" published by order of Sir Robert Hart, the Inspector-General of Customs. The reports of the Commissioners of Customs are invariably interesting and instructive and those included in the volume before us are no wise an exception to the rule, for they contain facts, dates, and comments of great value relating to the military operations in China during 1895, and the effects thereof on the trade of the ports in the north, and Formosa in the south. From these reports we have space to-day for a few extracts only and therefore hold over a review of this useful volume, which has been issued in a manner that reflects the greatest credit on the officials, of all grades, employed in the Statistical Department of the splendid service that owes its present high standard of efficiency and the confidence reposed in it by the foreign powers and the government of China to the genius and the strict integrity of that master of finance and king of organizers, the great "I.G.," the one man holding high office in Far Cathay who has proved himself the most and best friend China ever had—a friend in need, and therefore a friend indeed.

The following are extracts from the 1895 Trade Reports:—

SHANGHAI.
The year 1894 closed with a gloomy outlook politically and commercially. The war-clouds, however, rolled away and trade during 1895 showed agreeably disappointing result. In February China despatched a peace mission to Japan. It returned *in triumph*; but Li Chung-t'ang being sent on a similar mission succeeded in negotiating a Treaty, which was signed at Shimonoseki on 17th April and in due course ratified. Under it China had to pay an indemnity of 200 million taels (about 300 millions sterling) and to cede Formosa and the Liaoting peninsula, up to and including the Treaty port of Newchwang, to Japan. Subsequently, owing to representations from Russia, France, and Germany, Liaoting was retroceded in consideration of a further payment of 30 million taels. This later Convention was not, however, fulfilled till after navigation with Newchwang had closed; this treaty port was therefore a Japanese possession throughout the trading year and has been treated in the 1895 statistics as a foreign port. The transfer of the value of this trade—though it has as a result of the war fallen from above 8 to below 4 million taels—from the home to the Foreign trade makes a strict comparison of 1895 and 1894 figures difficult. It does not, however, affect either the gross or the net value of Shanghai trade; and both are the largest on record, the former having been Hk. Tls. 218,733,283—an increase of 32 per cent.—and the latter Hk. Tls. 94,990,342, an increase of over 15 per cent. Such expansion appears phenomenal in view of the enormous indemnity exacted by Japan. In fact, however, this burden has not yet made itself felt, a loan raised in Europe having enabled China to pay the first instalment of the original indemnity (one-fourth) and all due under the Liaoting Convention. This will only be really felt later, when interest and principal of the loan already effected, and of those to follow, fall due. The collection amounts to Hk. Tls. 6,183,683, or Hk. \$26,000 less than in 1894. Export duties increased 250,000 taels; but import declined 250,000 taels, and option (duty and Lida) 250,000 taels.

KOWLOON.
The aggregate value of the trade passing through the Kowloon Stations during 1895 was very considerably in excess of the total for the year preceding. The figures for 1895 are Hk. Tls. 50,385,194, as compared with Hk. Tls. 40,687,581, a difference of Hk. Tls. 9,697,613, or nearly 24 per cent. Of this, the greatest proportion, some 62 millions of taels, is attributable to foreign importations; but a closer examination of the returns reveals the fact, not altogether welcome, that upwards of 42 millions of taels represent the value of foreign rice reported to replace stock crops. Native exports come next, with an increase of about 3 millions; and native imports show an improvement of something under half a million of taels. Prices of both native and foreign goods have generally ruled higher, and this will have to be allowed for in weighing the importance of the figures; but when all allowances are made, there remains an improvement, which adds to the confirmation of the general opinion that the year has been one of greater prosperity to the merchant. An event which caused considerable sensation at the time was the strike of coolies in Hongkong, in consequence of the enforcement of the registration of coolie lodging-houses. On the 28th March some 3,000 men went on strike and remained idle for about a week, with serious detriment to the discharge and shipment of cargo by foreign vessels in Hongkong, and doubtless indirectly influencing the junk traffic besides—as, for instance, when one shipload of kerosene was lost to the market by being taken to Japan, its discharge being impossible in Hongkong. The long drought caused a failure of the rice crops, a alarming scarcity of water, and it is supposed brought about a severe epidemic of fever of a malarious type, which prevailed during the latter half of the year, claiming a great many victims among the natives and causing serious illness, at least, to several foreigners.

The number of steam-launches entered and cleared at Chinese Kowloon, which includes the Stations both at the east and west sides of the peninsula, was only 7,358, as compared with 10,553 in the previous year. This decrease is scarcely regrettable, as it is the result of the maintenance of the restrictions against gambling mentioned in the report for 1894. Of junks passing through the Stations inwards with cargo there were 4,785 more, but those in ballast were 258 less, than in the preceding year. The total number passing outwards with cargo was 3,716 greater, and those in ballast were more by 1,838. Junks inward and outward together represent an increase of nearly 15 per cent. There passed through the Cheungchow Station *en route* to Hongkong 1 junk from Amoy and 1 from Swatow, while 3 junks departed for Amoy and 1 for Singapore.

NEWCHANG.
It seems an anomaly for a Chinese official to write the Trade Report for a port that was in possession of the Japanese some months of the year under review, a period, too, which exactly covered the open or maritime trade season; but as the merchants here were good enough to give us statistics of the inward and outward cargoes, returns which were, moreover, supplemented by figures supplied by these Chinese ports which were severely crippled here, there were data for giving a fairly good exhibit of the trade of Newchwang for the year 1895. So to preserve this material, and to keep up the continuity of the Newchwang annual returns, orders were received to prepare them for printing

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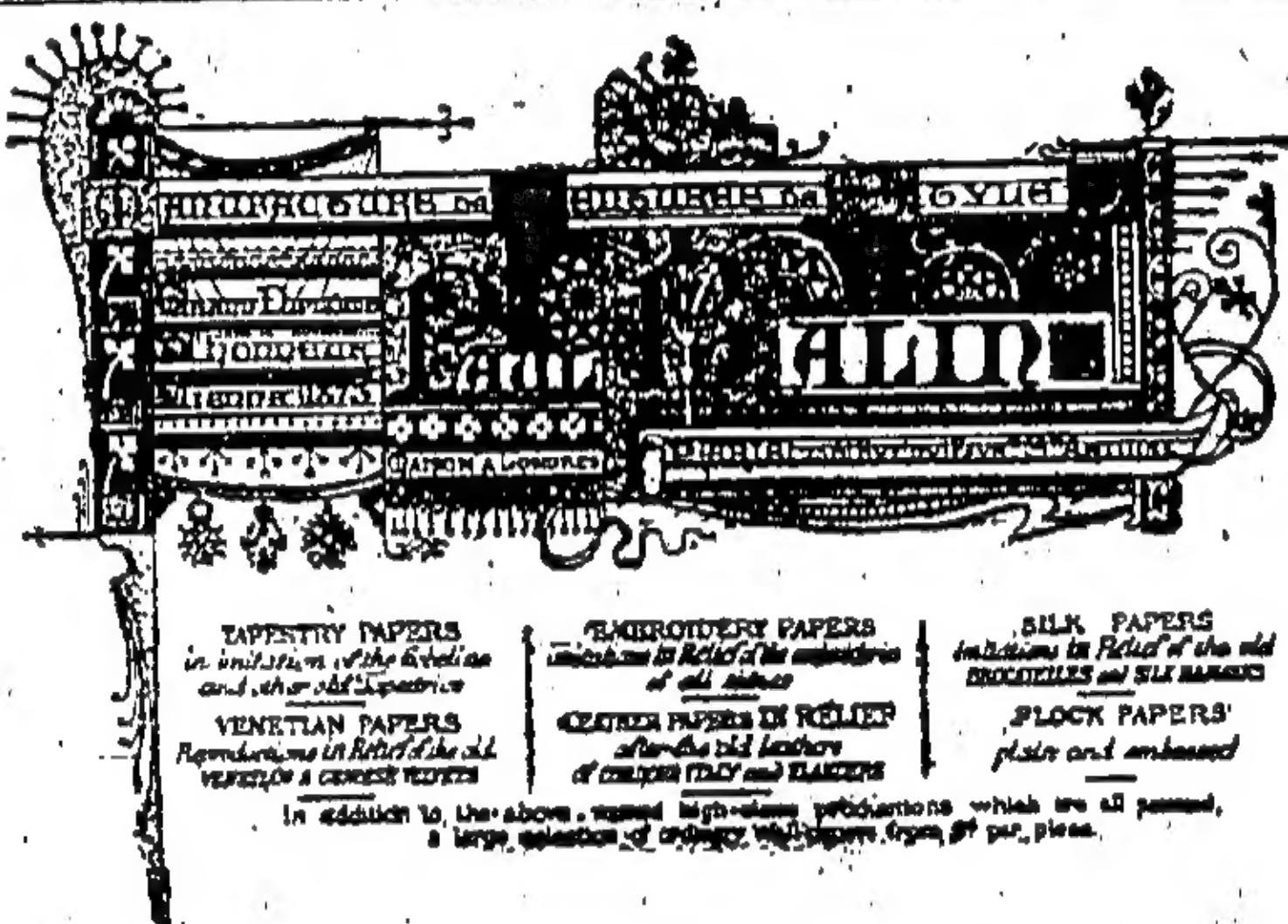
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on or about TUESDAY, the 16th instant.
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Captain Quill, will be despatched on FRI-
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"SOCIOTA,"
Robbs, Master, will lead here for the above
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"MEMNON,"
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Hongkong, 6th June, 1896. [1039]

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THE Steamship

"BENALDER,"
Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above
on the 15th instant.
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"CARMARTHENSHIRE,"
Captain Sincove, will be despatched for the
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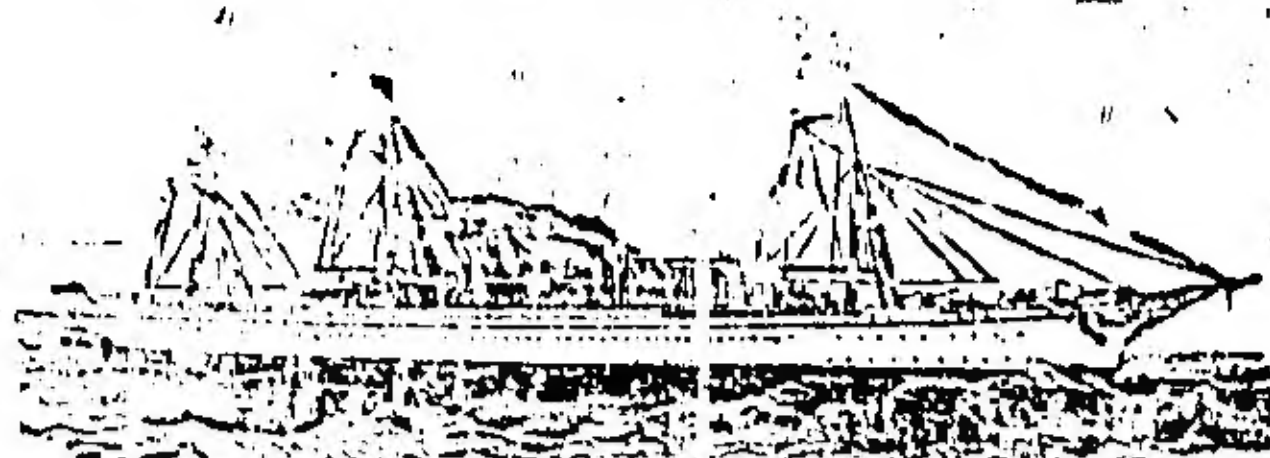
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